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VALE MORNING SITUATION REPORT FOR: 7-12-04			
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	3	BAKER FIRE DANGER (352420-C)	E
REGIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	2	MALHEUR FIRE DANGER (353616)	H
VALE PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	2	JORDAN FIRE DANGER (353612-A)	M
BAKER RA:			
<p> No new fires. Forecasted BI/ERC: 20/43 </p>			
MALHEUR RA:			
<p> No new fires. Forecasted BI: 51 </p>			
JORDAN RA:			
<p> No new fires. Forecasted BI: 57 </p>			
COMMENTS:			
<p> 16 SRV Crews available. Type 3 Helicopter (60P) is ready for I.A. Type 2 Helicopter (360EH) is ready for I.A. T-475 & AA-9GW are in Ontario ready for IA. 1 (EDSD-T) assigned to the Pot Peak fire in Washington. 1 (EDSD) assigned to Western Great Basin GACC. 1 (ORDM) is assigned to the Chrome Fire in Nevada. Vale IHC assigned to the Pot Peak fire in WA. </p>			
WEATHER:			
<p> <u>Vale Weather:</u> Mostly sunny. Temp's 80-91 except 90-97 below 4500 feet. RH 10-19 %. Valley winds E 4-8 mph. Ridge winds SE 8-12 mph. Haines index 5 (moderate). LAL 1. </p> <p> <u>Baker Weather:</u> Mostly sunny with the slight chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1200. Temp's 88-95 except 80-88 ridges. RH 18-24 %. Valley NW winds 1-6 mph. Ridge winds NW 2-7 mph. LAL 2. Haines index 4 (low). </p>			
DEFINITIONS:			
<p> <u>LAL (Lightning Activity Level)</u> : A numerical rating from the lowest of 1 to the highest of 6, keyed to the start of thunderstorms and the frequency and character of cloud-to-ground lightning forecasted or observed on a rating area during a rating period. </p> <p> <u>Haines Index</u> : A national fire-weather index based on the stability and moisture content of the lower atmosphere and their direct relationship to the growth of large fires. The index is from 2-6 with 2 being the lowest potential for large fire growth while 6 is the highest large fire growth potential. </p> <p> <u>Energy Release Component (ERC)</u> : A number related to the available energy (BTU) per unit area (square foot) within the flaming front of the head of a fire. </p> <p> <u>Burning Index (BI)</u> : A number related to the contribution of fire behavior to the effort of containing a fire. The value is a function of the Spread Component and the Energy Release Component. </p>			